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### THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

#### PAPER FILING ASSOCIATED WITH AN ELECTRONIC IDS FILING

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Arlington, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant(s) hereby submit the information listed on the accompanying forms PTO/SB/08A, PTO/SB/08B for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Copies of the documents listed in the accompanying forms are enclosed herewith.

### **BASIS FOR THIS SUBMISSION**

An electronic information disclosure statement (IDS) is being submitted on this day concurrently with this paper IDS filing. Therefore the entire information disclosure statement submitted this day consists of each of the paper documents submitted herewith and each of the documents submitted in the electronic IDS filing.

**CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING** 

I hereby certify under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Arlington, VA 22313-1450, on October 27, 2003.

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# **SUBMISSION**

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, this statement is being submitted as indicated below:

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national	l appli	cation other than a continued prosecution application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d), or
(ii) with	hin thr	ee (3) months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §
1.491 ir	n an in	ternational application, or (iii) before the mailing of the first Office Action on the
merits,	or (iv)	before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request for
continu	ed exa	mination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114; or
	(2) <b>F</b>	Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), after the period defined in (1) but before the mailing
		action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113, a notice of allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311 or
		otherwise closes prosecution in the application, and
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I		the requisite Statement is below, or
ĺ		the requisite fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p), namely \$180, is submitted herewith,
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	(3)	Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d), after the period defined in (2) but before payment
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It is respectfully requested that each of the documents listed on accompanying forms PTO/SB/08A, PTO/SB/08B and other information contained herein be considered by the Examiner and made of record in this application.

## **STATEMENT**

As required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e), Applicant(s), through the undersigned, hereby state either that:

- ☐ (1) Each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement; or,
- No item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the person signing this Statement after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

### OTHER BASES FOR THIS FILING

- The above identified materials are submitted in this Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) before the mailing of the first Office Action, and it is therefore believed that no fee for submission and consideration of this information is required pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3).
- A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 in conjunction with this application:
  - (i) ⋈ was filed on September 25, 2003; or
  - (ii) ☐ is filed concurrently herewith.

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The above identified materials are submitted in this application before the mailing of a first Office Action after the RCE filing, and it is therefore believed that no fee for submission and consideration of this information is required pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(4).

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Respectfully submitted,

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